



CHANUTE AFB ILLINOIS

ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD COVER SHEET

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AGENDA

RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

May 27, 2004

12:00 p.m.

1. Introductions
 - RAB members
 - Introduction of guests
2. Old Business
 - Minutes from last meeting
 - Other
3. Environmental Clean-up Update
 - Highlights since February 2004 RAB
 - Landfill 2 Update
 - Fuel Storage Tanks Update
 - Basewide Sampling Since March 2004
 - Community Relations Update
4. Reuse Progress
5. Next Meeting
6. Adjourn



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

AIR FORCE REAL PROPERTY AGENCY

AFRPA/DC Chanute

601 South Century Blvd., Suite 1106

Rantoul, IL 61866

27 May 2004

MEMORANDUM FOR: See Distribution List

SUBJECT: Chanute Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) Summarized Meeting Minutes, 27 May 2004

1. **Introductions.** The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. and began with introductions. Mr. Tim Sueltenfuss introduced himself and requested all the members present make similar introductions. Mr. Sueltenfuss also stated that Ms. Larisa Dawkins, who was not present, would be serving as the Air Force Real Property Agency (AFRPA) Interim Regional Public Affairs Officer for the former Chanute AFB.
2. **Old Business.** The first action item was to review and approve the February RAB meeting minutes. Ms. Lorraine Wirges requested the facility identified in the minutes as the former Enlisted Men's Club be identified as the former Timbers Club. The February minutes were then approved by voice vote with this modification.
3. **Program Update.** Mr. Sueltenfuss informed the RAB that the Air Force has made considerable progress since the last RAB meeting in February 2004. He described several highlights from the Environmental Cleanup program, to include the following:
 - Erosion control material and security fencing has been installed at Landfill 2
 - Five fuel storage tanks (approximately 50 percent of the tanks have now reached closure status) have been closed
 - Over 1,800 soil samples have been collected; Mr. Darren Guttman addressed community comments and explained that AFRPA was awaiting the results of the sampling (approximately 80 to 90 percent of the basewide sampling is now complete)
 - Over 20 monitoring wells have been installed and approximately 50 groundwater screening locations evaluated

Mr. Sueltenfuss then provided an update of Community Relations activities. A total of 21 interviews with community members and interested stakeholders were completed in order to revise the Chanute Community Relations Plan. Results from the interviews showed that community members are most concerned about the conditions of buildings on the former base and a timeline for base cleanup and transfer.

Mr. Sueltenfuss also distributed copies of the draft RAB Operating Guidelines, and a discussion followed. The RAB agreed to postpone approving the guidelines until they could review them further. All comments regarding the draft RAB Operating Guidelines should be sent directly to Ms. Diana Herbert with AFRPA before the next RAB meeting. RAB members discussed potential methods of recruiting new members, as well as holding Community Co-Chair elections at the next meeting. RAB members decided to invite any community members interested in becoming a RAB member to the August RAB meeting.

Mr. Sueltenfuss indicated that at the February RAB meeting the previous Regional Public Affairs Officer had suggested changing the meeting time in order to allow other community members to attend. The change in meeting time is not something the RAB members would like to change at this time.

4. **Closing Comments.** A question was raised on the status of the fuel tanks. Dr. Harris said funding for the completion of closure activities for fuel storage tanks was available, and he anticipated closure activities would be completed by the next fiscal year. The members expressed their desire for a tour of the landfills and Heritage Lake area, and agreed they would like to have this occur following the next RAB meeting.
5. **Next Meeting.** The next RAB meeting will take place August 26, 2004, at 12:00 p.m.
6. **Adjourn.**

Attachments:
RAB Meeting Attendance List
Briefing Slides

**Restoration Advisory Board
Meeting Attendance List
27 May 2004**

Name

Ms. Lorraine Wirges
Mr. Chris Hill
Mr. Owen Thompson
Mr. Scott Brandon
Mr. Bill Hunsucker
Mr. Darren Guttman
Mr. Dave Wacker
Mr. Tim Sueltenfuss
Ms. LeAnn Herren
Ms. Diane Shields
Mr. Caryl E. Fothergill
Dr. Bill Harris
Mr. Gary Koski

Organization

RAB Member
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA)
US EPA
Village of Rantoul
Resident of Rantoul
Air Force Center for Environmental Excellence (AFCEE)
Booz Allen Hamilton
Booz Allen Hamilton
Smith/Associates
Village of Rantoul
RAB Community Member
Air Force Real Property Agency (AFRPA)
AFRPA



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**Restoration Advisory Board
Meeting
May 27, 2004**

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RAB Agenda

- **Introductions**
- **Old Business**
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 - **Fuel storage tanks update**
 - **Basewide sampling since March 2004**
 - **Community Relations update**
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- **Next Meeting**
- **Questions/Comments**

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Introductions

- **RAB Members**
- **Guests**
- **Gary Koski, AFRPA Chanute Site Manager**
 - **217-892-3240 x22**
- **Larisa Dawkins, AFRPA Interim Public Affairs Officer**
 - **866-725-7617**
 - **Located in San Antonio, Texas**

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Old Business

- **RAB meeting minutes that need approval**
 - **October 22, 2003**
 - **February 25, 2004**

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Highlights Since February RAB Meeting

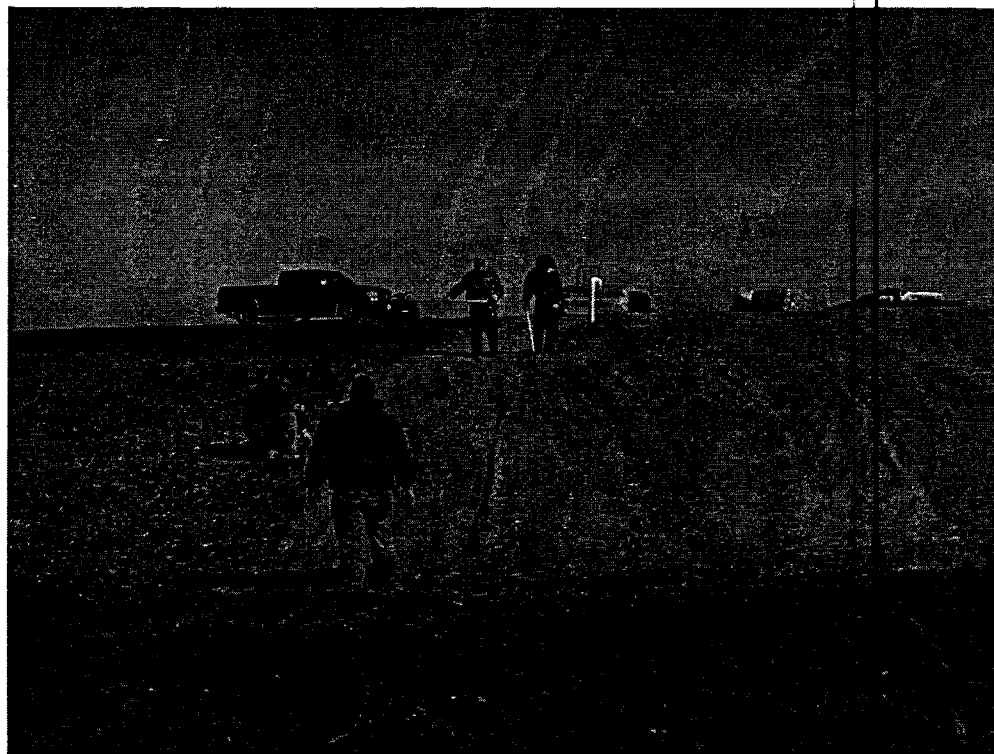
- ***Landfills*** – Installed erosion control material and fencing at Landfill 2
- ***Fuel Storage Tanks*** – Closed 5 tanks
- ***Sampling*** – Collected over 1,800 soil samples
- ***Monitoring*** – Evaluated over 50 groundwater screening locations
- ***Community Relations*** – Conducted 21 community interviews in support of the Community Relations Plan Update



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Landfill 2 Update

- Installed erosion control materials
- Materials stabilize the soil on the steeper slopes until the grass grows and then eventually biodegrade



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Landfill 2 Update

- Installed security fence
- Fence protects integrity of landfill cap and prevents access to the site



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Fuel Storage Tanks Update

- **Out of 260 current or former fuel storage tanks**
 - **50 percent have been closed**
 - Tanks removed and tested
 - Soil tested
 - Regulatory approval received
 - **35 percent are in the final stages of closure and almost complete**
 - **15 percent are in the planning and fieldwork phase**

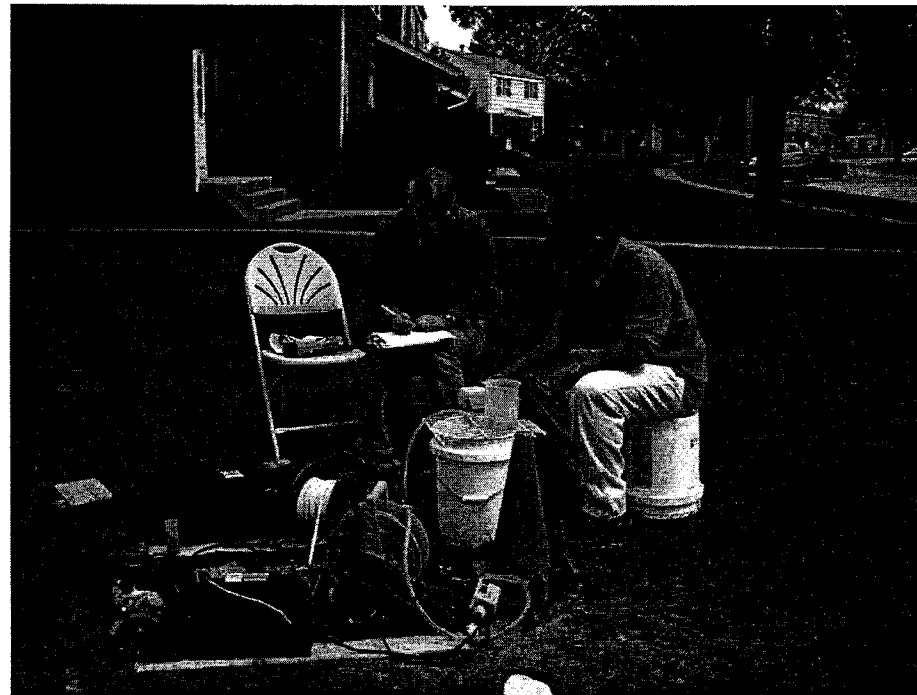
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Basewide Sampling Since March 2004

- **Sampling 85–90 percent complete**
- **Sampling and analysis ongoing since June 2003**



Sampling Monitoring Well at Former Rifle Range

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Basewide Sampling Since March 2004

- **Drilled over 200 soil borings and collected over 1,800 soil samples since March 2004**

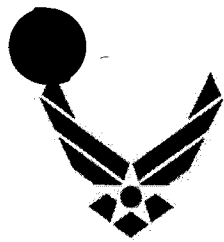


**Sampling West of Golf
Course Hole #1**



Sampling near Building 927

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Basewide Sampling Since March 2004

- Installed over 20 monitoring wells and evaluated over 50 groundwater screening locations since March 2004



Well Installation near Former Fuels Training

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Basewide Sampling Since March 2004

- **Reviewing sampling data**
- **Validating data to make sure it is correct**
- **After validation, will complete one of these options:**
 - **Close the site (if no further cleanup is needed)**
 - **Clean up and then close the site**

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Community Relations Update

■ **Community Relations Plan Update**

- **Interviewed 32 community members (Village and community leaders, business owners, regulators, RAB members)**

- **11 interviews in Spring 2003**
- **21 interviews in April 2004**

■ **Preliminary findings:**

- **The community is most concerned about conditions of buildings on the base and a timeline for base cleanup and transfer**
- **The best way to communicate with the public is by newsletter, letters, and/or news articles**

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Community Relations Update

■ RAB Activities

■ Review and Approval of Operating Guidelines

■ Membership

- Community Co-chair**
- New membership**

■ Quarterly Schedule

- 4th Thursday of month, except 3rd Thursday in November**
- Remaining 2004 RABs - August 26, November 18**

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Reuse Progress

- **Reed Berger, Director**
Economic Development and Aviation
Village of Rantoul
217-893-9955

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Next Meeting

■ **Thursday, August 26 at noon**

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Questions/Comments

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